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### **Border Fencing**

2767. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are any places on the border areas where there is no fencing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps initiated by Government to step up and ensure security there; and
- (c) whether Government propose to consider the border fencing in such areas where there is no fencing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The Government had taken a decision to fence the Indo-Pakistan and Indo-Bangladesh borders, since these are more vulnerable to cross-border activities. In pursuance of this, work for fencing the borders in Punjab and Rajasthan sectors and parts of Indo-Bangladesh border has been completed. Work on the Jammu, Gujarat and remaining parts of Indo-Bangladesh borders is in progress.

Certain areas where fencing was not possible due to terrain conditions *i.e.* riverine areas, hilly areas, permanently water-logged areas, shifting sand dunes, thickly forested areas etc. have been left uncovered. The details of Indo-Pakistan and Indo-Bangladesh borders, sector-wise, which have not been fenced or not proposed to be fenced, are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

In order to strengthen the security of these areas, steps like intensification of border patrolling, induction of equipments like night vision devices, hand-held search lights etc. have been initiated. There is no proposal to fence any other International Border.

**Statement**

*Details of Indo-Pakistan and Indo-Bangladesh Borders, Sector-wise,  
which are not proposed to be fenced*

*Indo-Pakistan Border*

| Sector                       | Length of the land border | Total length sanctioned for fencing | Balanced length left uncovered |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Punjab Gujarat               | 553 Kms                   | 452 Kms                             | 101 Kms                        |
| Jammu (International Border) | 404 Kms                   | 310 Kms                             | 94 Kms                         |
|                              | 210 Kms                   | 180 Kms                             | 30 Kms                         |

*Indo-Bangladesh Border*

| Sector      | Length of the land border | Total length sanctioned for fencing | Balanced length left uncovered |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Assam       | 262 Kms                   | 224 Kms                             | 38 Kms                         |
| Meghalaya   | 443 Kms                   | 399 Kms                             | 44 Kms                         |
| West Bergal | 2217 Kms                  | 1528 Kms                            | 689 Kms                        |
| Tripura     | 856 Kms                   | 736 Kms                             | 120 Kms                        |

**Sale of illicit liquor in Tilak Nagar, Delhi**

2768. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that illicit liquor is openly sold in West Delhi particularly under the Tilak Nagar Police Station area;

(b) whether the Welfare Association of the area have also met the DCP of West Zone in this connection and if so, what action Government have taken against the persons who are running this business; and